IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO. 666 OF 2005

Usha Laxman Gavale .....Petitioner

Versus

The State of Maharashtra and Ors. ...Respondents

Mr. S.D. Dharmadhikari for the Petitioner

Mr. V.P. Malvankar, Assistant Government Pleader, for the State.

CORAM: **DALVEER BHANDARI, C.J., &**
S.A. BOBDE, J.
DATE: FEBRUARY 17, 2005.

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According to the petitioner, she belongs to Thakur Community, which is recognised as a Scheduled Tribe in the State of Maharashtra. She stated that a Notification was issued on 1st August, 2003 in the matter of filling of vacancies of posts reserved for Scheduled Tribes in Government offices. Pursuant to that Notification, the Collector, Sangli, called for information from the Employment and Self Employment Guidance Bureau, Sangli. The petitioner applied for the post of Clerk-cum-Typist, and was called for interview on 9th

January, 2004. She accordingly appeared for interview, and was selected along with three other candidates. In the letter / order dated 27th March, 2004, it is mentioned that selection is made on the condition of getting her Caste Certificate scrutinised by the Caste Scrutiny Committee (for short, 'Committee') and only thereafter, the appointment order would be issued to the petitioner. In June, 2004, the petitioner submitted the required documents to the Committee, and she was also interviewed by the Committee on 25th October, 2004. Thereafter, however, the Committee has not responded.

In the above view of the matter, we direct the respondents to speed up the recruitment process initiated under the Government Notification dated 1st August, 2003, and issue proper recruitment order to the petitioner in accordance with law. Let this process be over as early as possible, in any event within three months from today. The respondents are directed to see that the Select List dated 9th January, 2004 is not lapsed.

No further directions are necessary. This petition is accordingly disposed of.

CHIEF JUSTICE

S.A. BOBDE, J.